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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		
EDWARD A. FRIEDMAN,  Plaintiff,	X :	INDEX NO. 07-CV-9620 (SHS)
-against- THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE	•	AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL PURSUANT TO LOCAL CIVIL RULE 1.4
COMPANY OF AMERICA,  Defendant.	: X	

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA)

COUNTY OF PHILADELPHIA) ss.

Seth Ptasiewicz, of full age, hereby swears under penalty of perjury as follows:

- 1. I am an associate with the law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP, present counsel to Defendant Prudential Insurance Company of America ("Prudential") with reference to the above-captioned matter. I am admitted to practice before this Court.
- 2. I submit this Affidavit of support of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP's Motion pursuant to Local Civil Rule 1.4 to withdraw as counsel of record to Prudential in this litigation concerning the denial of plaintiff's claim for Long Term Disability Benefits under a group disability policy governed by the Employee Income Retirement Security Act, 29 U.S.C. §1001, et seq.
- 3. The request to withdraw as counsel of record to Prudential came as a result of Prudential advising this firm that it wishes to substitute as its counsel of record the law firm of D'Arcambal, Levine & Ousley, LLP as reflected in the Consent to Change Attorney Form and Notice of Appearance electronically filed on behalf of Prudential with this Court and appended

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hereto as Exhibit A and Exhibit B, respectively.

4. No prejudice will arise as a result of this firm's withdraw as counsel of record.

There are no pending deadlines in this case as the parties have filed and fully briefed cross
Motions for Summary Judgment. The law firm of D'Arcambal, Levine & Ousley, LLP has been apprised of the status of this litigation.

5. Accordingly, the law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP and its attorneys of record in this case, Brian A. Herman, Esq., Jeremy P. Blumenfeld, Esq. and Seth Ptasiewicz, Esq., respectfully request that the Motion to Withdraw as Counsel be granted.

Seth Ptasiewicz

Sworn to before me this Lay of July, 2008

Notary Public

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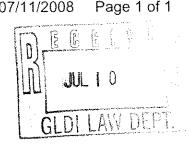
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CONSENT TO CHANGE **ATTORNEY** 

IT IS HEREBY CONSENTED that d'Arcambal Levine & Ousley, LLP, of 40 Fulton Street, Suite 1005, New York, NY 10038, be substituted as attorneys of record for the undersigned party in the above-entitled action in place and stead of the undersigned attorneys as of the date hereto.

By:

Dated: July 10, 2008

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY

OF MMERICA

Leonard A. Giusti Director and Corporate Counsel

July 1, 2008

July 9, 2008

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